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The secret accords of Camp David

(EXCERPT)

- Behind Vance's tough talking were the secret understandings that Carter, Sadat and Menahern Begin reached at Camp David, which were made possible by the Egyptian president's readiness to stand up, if necessary, to the bulk of the Arab world. (One of the few Arab leaders who has had the courage to publicly welcome Camp David is the Sultan of Oman.) Foreign Report is now able to disclose further details of the substance of these understandings:
- (i) Financial aid for Egypt. The Americans have undertaken to provide financial aid for Egypt equal to what they extend to Israel: in other words, between \$2 billion and \$3 billion a year. In addition, the Americans have promised to replace any aid to Egypt from other Arab countries that is cut off or cut back because of opposition to the Camp David accords. These guarantees have given Sadat the financial strength to stand up the Saudis if necessary.
- (ii) CIA protection for Sadat. The CIA, in collaboration with the Egyptian intelligence service, has assumed the task of guarding Sadat's life, now more at risk than ever before from would-be assassins funded by Libya. American agents are already in place: